

members. The principal speaker was Mr. Harold Prooster Librarian of the Scranton Public Library. This meeting produced a number of new members and we are indebted to the Kiwanis Club for the undertaking. The membership to date is 43.

Friends of the Library have been generous in their gifts of books, magazines, pictures etc. Mrs. Heller has kindly given plants and flowers.

The books donated were most welcome, but nothing can take the place of new, up to date books. Practically no one will read books on aviation - banking - business - radio - telephone and many other subjects which were written several years ago. The Library must purchase more new books - if it is to give proper service.

One of the most difficult problems of the year has been the demand for extensively advertised books. Many persons wished to read the same books at the same time. With the few extra copies of the most popular books we have been able to purchase it has not been possible to satisfy the borrowers as quickly as we would wish.

However, I believe the residents of Carbondale are appreciative of the work accomplished. Members of the Association are co-operative and our Directors are eager to serve. With such an unbeatable combination, in spite of limited resources, we offer a challenge to the future. We must not be content with any present achievements. With this in mind let us use every effort to increase the efficiency of the Library, its membership and its income.

The assistance supplied by the National Youth Administration continues part time ~~work~~ ^{evening} - which is most helpful and greatly appreciated.

The Librarian extends thanks to the Directors and Members of the Association for their loyalty, and also to the